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INFORMATION FROM MOVING IMAGE

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Document A3 describes an optical disk recording medium for storing a moving image from a video camera.

Document A4 describes a static image extraction device in a video camera, which has a picture taking state information memory.

Document A5 shows a system which reads images from documents by camera, etc.

Document A6 shows a system regarding image combining from moving pictures, to make a panorama image.

Document A7 describes a moving map display method in a computer that involves using an icon image display window.

Document A8 describes image data conversion for a digital camera, color copier, and involves encoding image data including outline data.

Applicant respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and formally be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form-SB08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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